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In response to the restriction requirement mailed on 09/10/02, applicant elected Group II, claims 13-65, 67 and 69-77, to prosecute in the present application. The election was made without traverse. However, applicant failed to further elect the species that was included in Group II (see pages 3-5 of the restriction requirement mailed on 09/10/02). Therefore, the election that was made by the applicant is considered non-responsive and applicant is given one month to further respond to the restriction requirement mailed on 09/10/02.

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